

March 25, 1899, to fill the unexpired term of Hon. Harry M. Clabaugh, who had resigned to accept a Federal Judgeship. Mr. Gaither is a most accomplished lawyer and graceful speaker.

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*Attorney-General Elect:* ISIDOR RAYNER, (Democrat,) of Baltimore city.

Mr. Isidor Rayner was born in Baltimore 49 years ago. He graduated from the University of Virginia in 1870 and then studied law. Soon after his admission to the bar he attracted public attention by his ability as an advocate, and in 1878 he was elected to the Maryland House of Delegates. In 1886 he was elected to the State Senate. In that body his course was so brilliant that in 1888 he was nominated for and elected to Congress from the Fourth district. His record there was a splendid one, and he was returned in 1890 and 1892. He was, while in Congress, a member of important Committees on Foreign Relations and on Coinage and Currency. Mr. Rayner is, perhaps, best known to the general masses of the people by his powers of oratory. He is one of the most fluent, graceful and convincing speakers of the State, and he is always listened to with attention whether on the stump or at the bar.

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*Judge Court of Appeals from Baltimore City:* SAMUEL D. SCHMUCKER, (Republican.)

Judge Samuel D. Schmucker was born at Gettysburg, Pa., February 26, 1844. He is a son of the late Rev. Dr. S. S. Schmucker, a native of Maryland, of German descent, one of the most prominent Lutheran divines of his day and president of the Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church for more than 40 years. Judge Schmucker was graduated from Pennsylvania College, class of '63, and from the law school of the University of New York city, class of '65. He located in Baltimore and entered into practice in 1866.

Judge Schmucker was for some time president of the Bar Association of Baltimore city. He served as a member of the commission which prepared the New Charter for Baltimore city, is a member of the Courthouse Commission and served on the committee appointed to draft the Negotiable Instrument law, which was adopted at the last session